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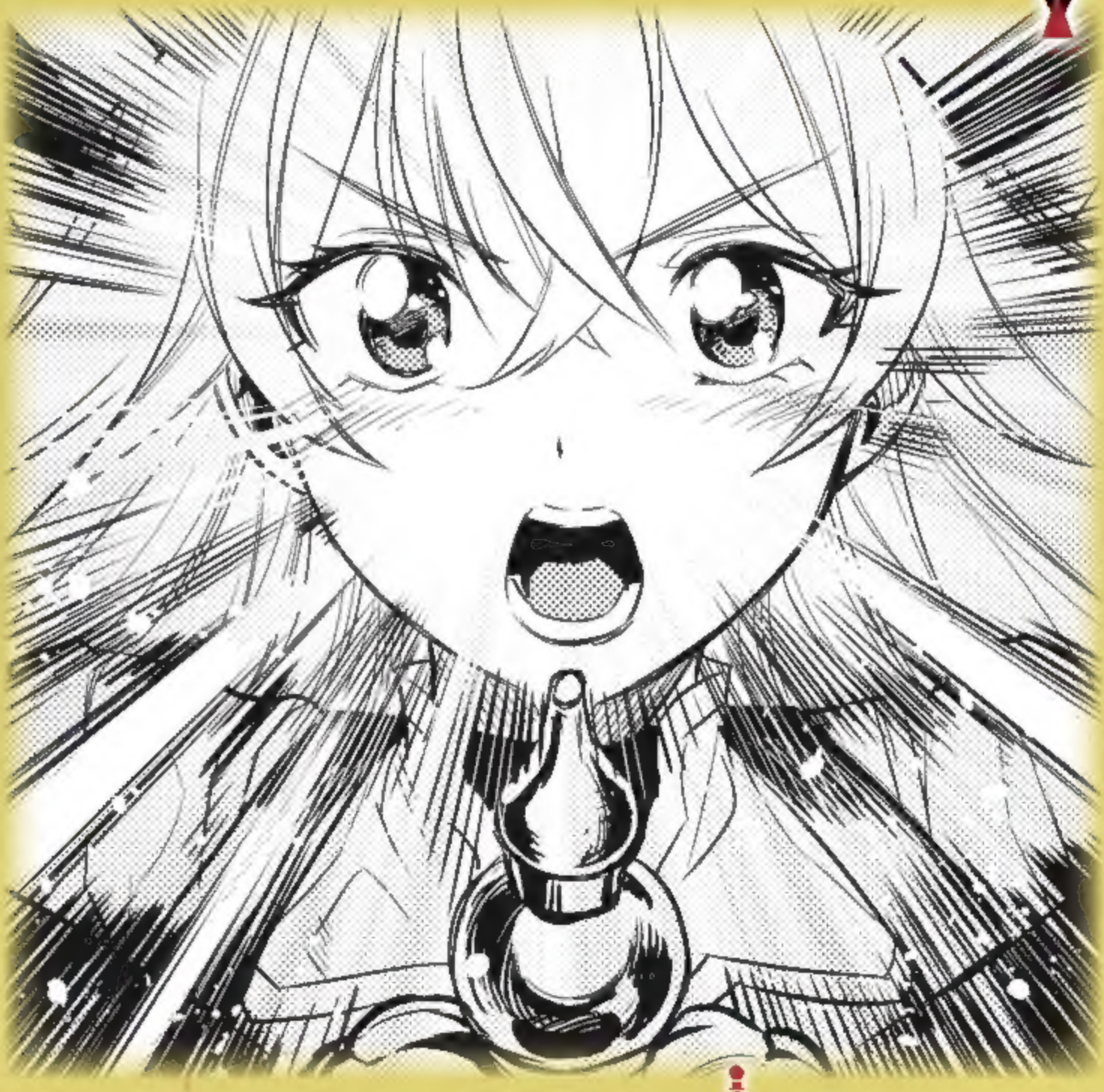

GOBLIN SLAYER

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BUTSU (STAB)

Story: Goblin Slayer is a Silver-ranked adventurer who hunts nothing but goblins. The adventurers, armed with Goblin Slayer's tactics, stopped a goblin horde. Goblin Slayer ambushed the Goblin Lord and, although wounded, scored a hit!

BUT YOUR SHIELD...

...IS SHATTERED...

HEH-HEH-HEH... MINOR WOUNDS...

GOBLIN SLAYER: AN ARMORED MAN BENT ON KILLING GOBLINS. SILVER-RANKED ADVENTURER.

...YOUR SWORD, BROKEN.

...ARE NOTHING NEW TO ME.

GOBLIN LORD: A VARIANT WITH STRONG LEADERSHIP ABILITIES. LEADER OF A GOBLIN HORDE.

GRRRR...

NOW, I AVENGE MY COMRADES!

...HANG YOU FROM A POLE!...

IT SHALL HEW OFF YOUR ARMS AND LEGS!...

...AND TORTURE YOU UNTIL YOU DIE!!

GO

GO

GO

I SHALL FINISH HIM WITHOUT MERCY—

IT SHALL BE THE NEXT STEP IN MY LEGEND!

MY PREY SHOULD COWER AT ITS DEATH.

HRM... I DO NOT LIKE THIS.

WHAT FUN IS A DEATH WITHOUT FEAR?

IT MATTERS NOT.

HRMPH.

KON (TONK)

GO CYRRAH

GO

AN... INVISIBLE WALL...?

WHAT... WHAT IS THIS...?

O EARTH MOTHER, ABOUNDING IN MERCY...

PRIESTESS: A GIRL WHO RECENTLY LEFT THE TEMPLE OF THE EARTH MOTHER TO BECOME AN ADVENTURER.

PROTECTION!

A WOMAN...

PERFECT... I'VE GROWN STARVED FOR SCREAMS.

I SHALL FEAST ON YOUR INNARDS...

...BY THE POWER OF THE LAND...

...GRANT SAFETY TO WE WHO ARE WEAK.

...AND HAVE MY WAY WITH YOU UNTIL YOU EXPIRE.

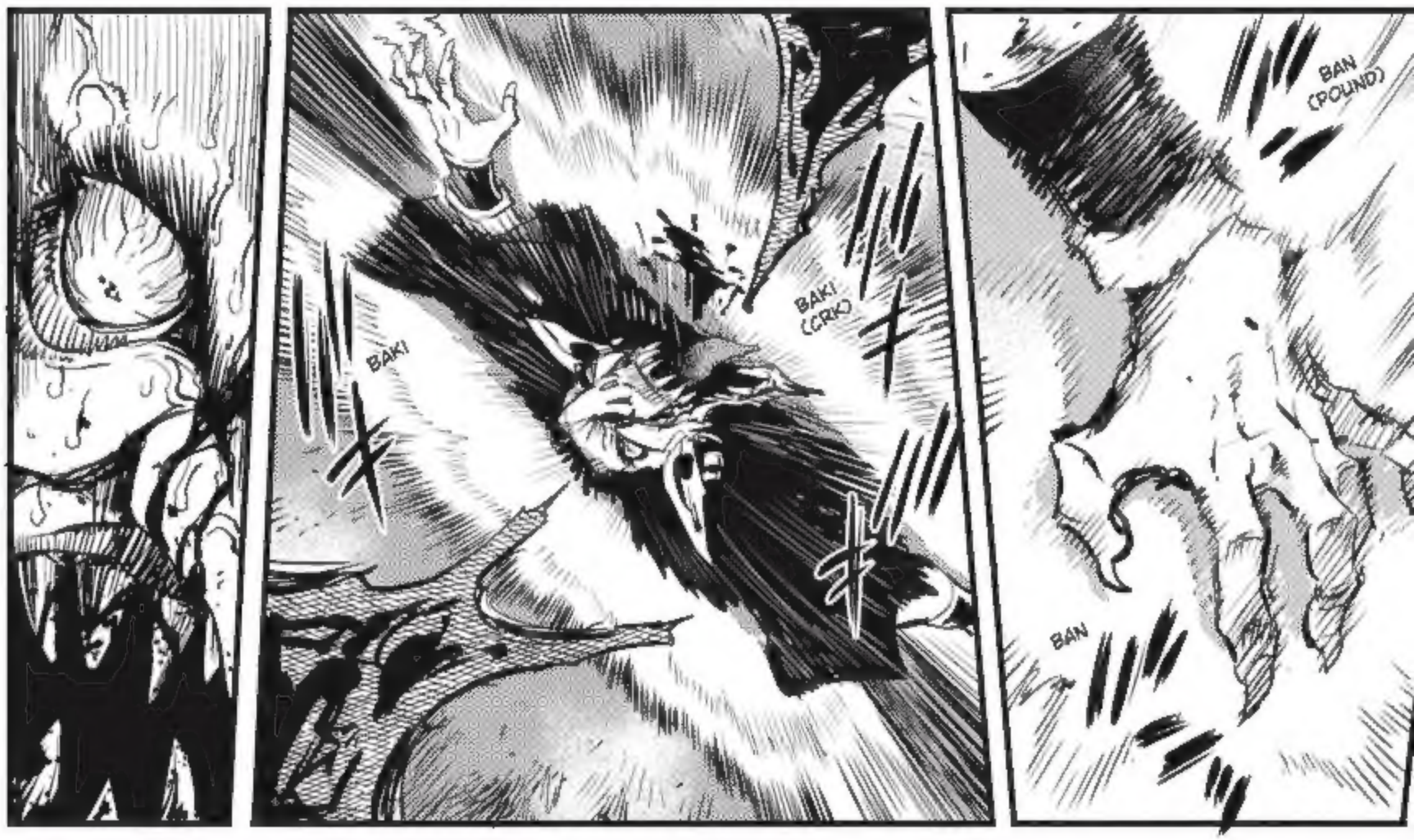
ZUBU (SKRSH)

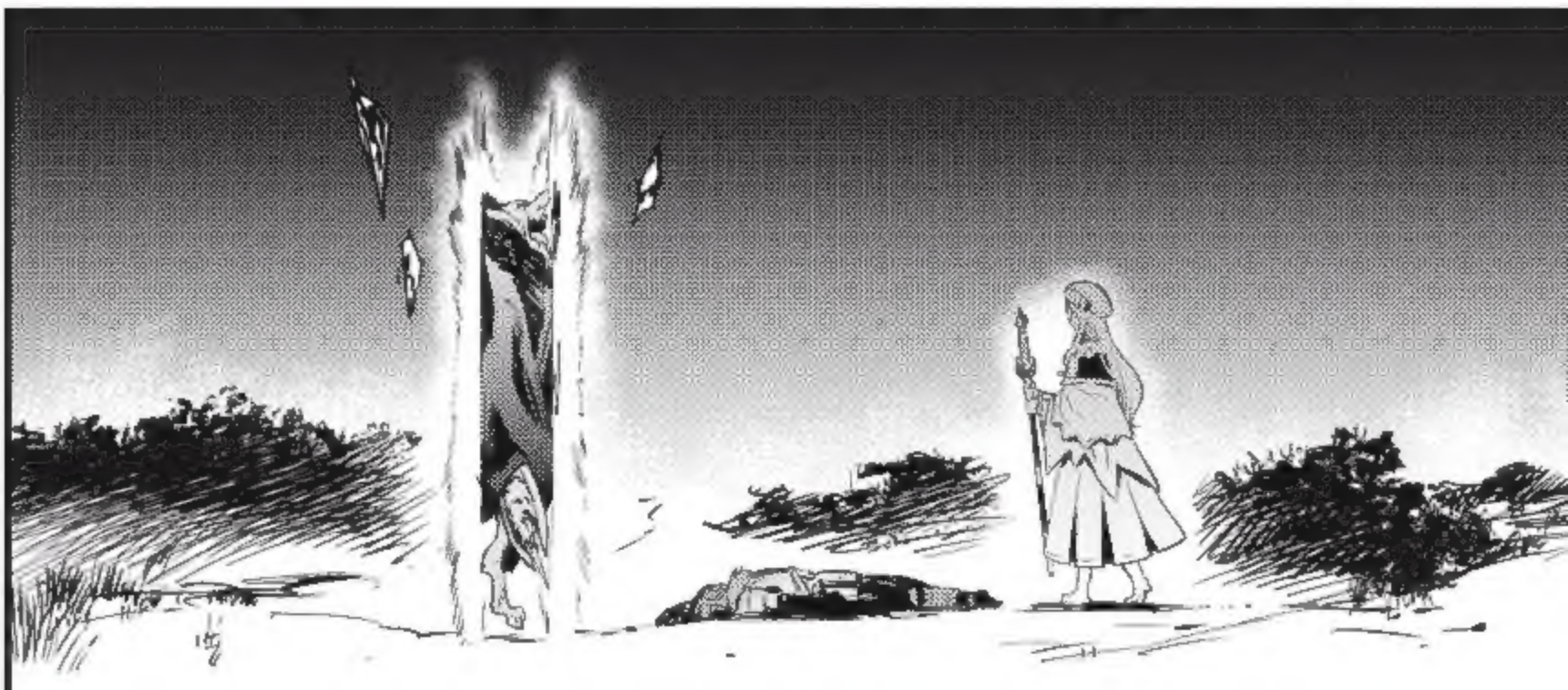
ZUBU

GOBA (HRRK)

BAN (FWMP)

KIIN (SHRIIING)


BAKI
BAKI (CRK)
BAN (POUND)
BAN



THIS WILL NOT END WELL FOR YOU!!

I'LL POUND A NAIL STRAIGHT THROUGH YOU, IN YOUR ASS AND OUT YOUR MOUTH!

NO... I WON'T KILL YOU.

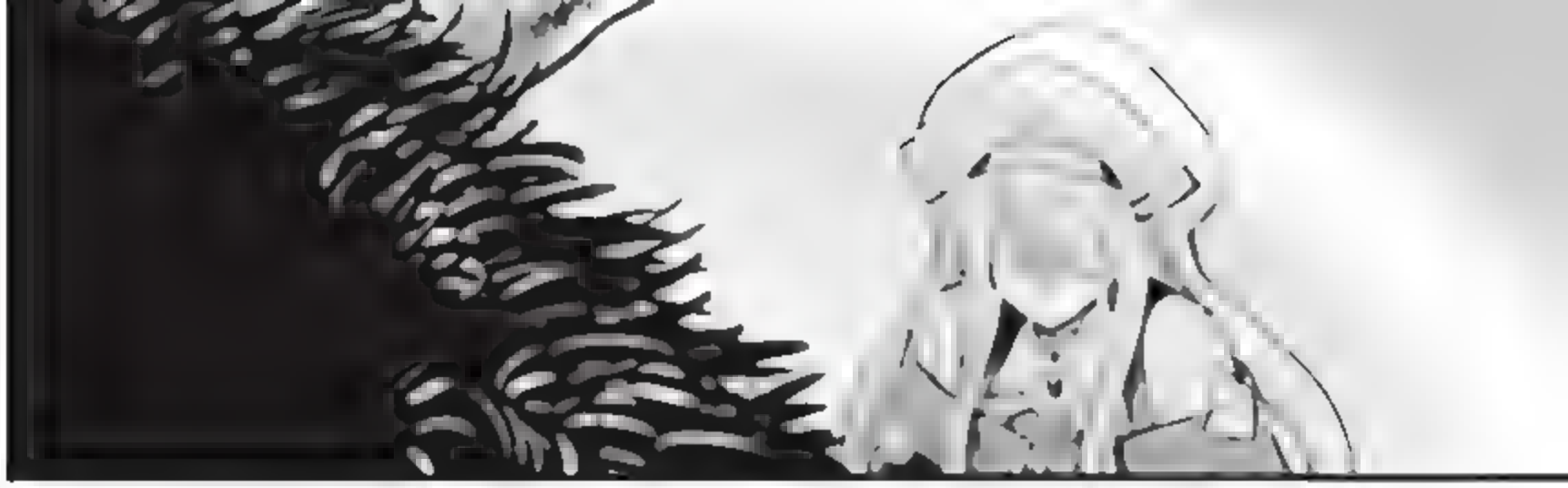
I'LL CHOP OFF YOUR LIMBS AND KEEP YOU AS A PET!

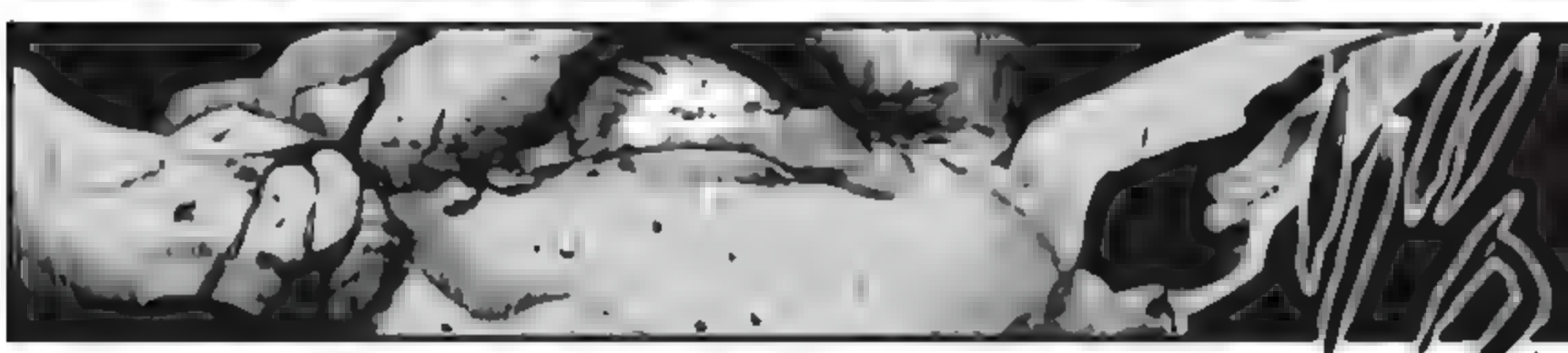
IS THIS HER DOING...!?

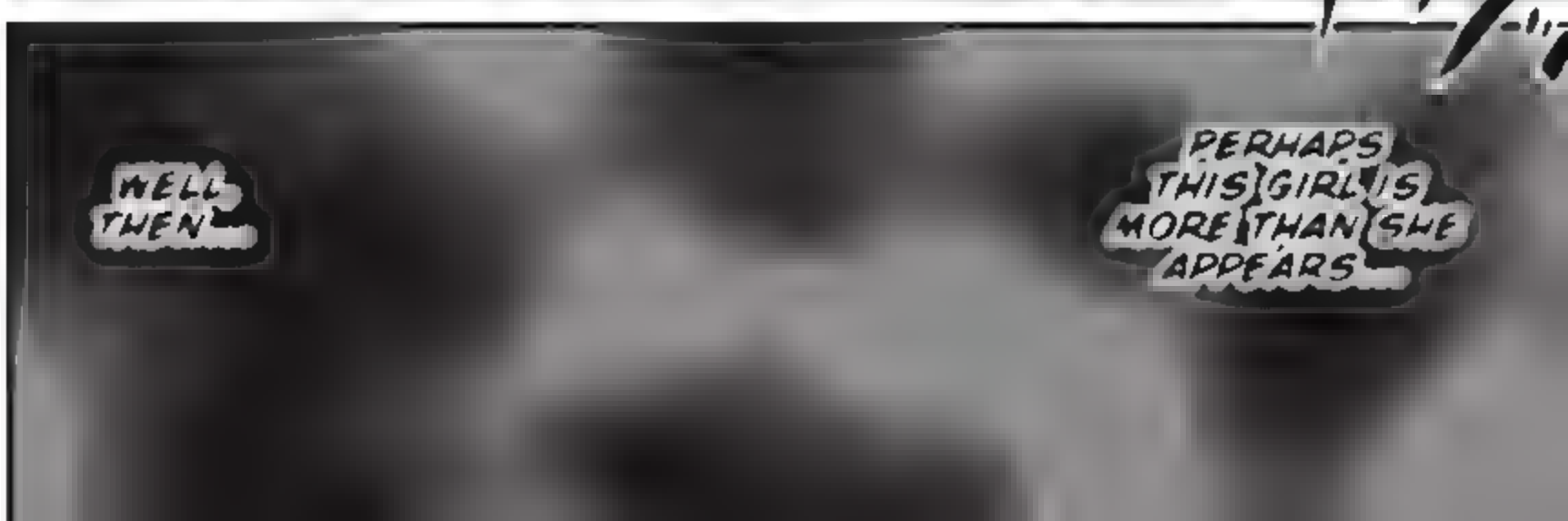
BREAK YOUR FINGERS ONE BY ONE!

BURN YOUR PRETTY FACE!

TURN YOU INTO A LUMP OF MEAT AND LEAVE YOU TO BEAR MY BROOD!






WELL THEN
PERHAPS THIS GIRL IS MORE THAN SHE APPEARS

WE SHALL...
CHANGE...
OUR WAYS...

...GO...
BACK...

...TO THE
WOODS...

LIVE A...
QUIET
LIFE...

I...
RRy..

W...E
WERE...

...
WR—

WRONG
...

THE ONES
WHO THINK
THEMSELVES
STRONG
ALWAYS DO...

...ESPECIALLY
WOMEN.

SHE'LL
FORGIVE
ME!..!

I AM...
S...
ORRy...

NOW, FORGIVE ME...

DO IT...!!

...AND HER...

LIKE HER...

...AND HER

...AND HER

EACH TOOK PITY ON ME...

...AND EACH DIED WEEPING - AND - SCREAM-ING.

AS IF WE WOULD SHOW YOU MERCY.

FORGI—

ZOKU (KRASH)

GU (THK)

A LORD? RIDICULOUS.

YOU'RE A GOBLIN.

JUST A FILTHY ...

GU (THK)

GU

...STINKING GOBLIN.

GURUN (ROLL)

AND I...

...AM GOBLIN SLAYER...

GOBLIN SLAYER!

THAT'S...

...ONE GOBLIN HEAD.

GAKLIN (THUMP)

I HAVE TO WORK CAREFULLY ...

HE'S LOSING BLOOD.

THE WOUND IN HIS ARM IS DEEP...

I'M SORRY...

MINOR HEAL.

O EARTH MOTHER, ABOUNDING IN MERCY--

--LAY YOUR REVERED HAND UPON THIS CHILD'S WOUNDS.

YOU KEEP THE LORD FROM MOVING USING PROTECTION.

I WILL BE THE BAIT.

USE THREE, TO MAKE SURE HE CAN'T BUDGE.

...

BUILD A CAGE USING TWO PROTECTION SPELLS.

NO.

GOBLIN SLAYER!

... FOOLISH THINGS.

...BY DOING ...

I DON'T THINK ...

... I CAN WIN...

I HELD BACK ONE OF THE SPELLS YOU ASKED FOR...

PLEASE... DON'T DO ANYTHING FOOLISH...

YOU DID. AND IT SAVED ME.

IS THAT SO?

THEN ...

...YOU SHOULD BE...

BE A LITTLE MORE CAREFUL ...!

HRMPH ...

I CAN'T BELIEVE ...!

...MM...

I'M SORRY.

IT'S BECAUSE ...

...I TRUSTED YOU.

YOU...

...ARE ABSOLUTELY HOPELESS...

TO OUR VICTORY!

HIGH ELF ARCHER: A HIGH ELF, ONE OF THE ADVENTURERS OPPOSING THE DEMON LORD.

AND TO THIS WEIRDO WHO'S ALWAYS GOING ON ABOUT GOBLINS!

AND OUR TOWN!

AND US!

AND OUR FARM!

YEAAAAAHHHH!

CHEERS!!

COW GIRL: AN OLD FRIEND OF GOBLIN SLAYER'S. THEY LIVE ON THE SAME FARM.

GUILD GIRL: GIVES GOBLIN SLAYER HIS JOBS AT THE ADVENTURERS GUILD.

ARE YOU KIDDING ME!?

YOU'RE TELLING ME HIS BOUNTY'S THE SAME AS EVERY OTHER GOBLIN!?

THIS WAS A CHAM-PION!

NOPE

THE REWARD WE'RE GIVING OUT IS ALREADY TECHNICALLY SPECIAL. ♪

A-ANY CHANCE OF A SPECIAL REWARD ...?

GRRRRR...

UH-HUH!

THE QUEST WAS "ONE GOLD PIECE PER GOBLIN HEAD."

AND THE LORD THAT GOBLIN SLAYER KILLED WAS ONLY WORTH ONE COIN TOO...

SUYAAA (ZZZZ)

LOOKS LIKE SHE'S PRETTY TIRED.

NO MORE THAN USUAL.

SUPYO (SNRK)

DON'T OVERWORK HER, OKAY? SHE'S JUST A GIRL.

OF COURSE.

OH YEAH ...?

NO.

ANYTHING HAPPEN WITH YOU TWO?

HMM. AREN'T YOU SWEET.

HELPING ME.

FOR WHAT?

HEY... THANK YOU.

...I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING.

HM?

I'M STILL NOT COMPLETELY SURE, BUT ...

I'M STILL ...

...THINGS HAVE BECOME A LITTLE CLEARER.

NEAT!

I PROBABLY ...

...WANT TO BECOME AN ADVENTURER.

I THINK.

YOU CAN DO IT. I'M SURE YOU CAN.

MMM..

MWAH...?

YOU THINK?

NO, I KNOW.

HA HA!

YOU TRIED YOUR BEST.

HUH? AWW...

I'M SORRY...

WHA—!?

!?

DID I FALL ASLEEP!?

I BOUGHT A DRINK, AS AGREED.

OH...

BUT... DON'T YOU NEED THIS MONEY?

EVERY-ONE'S REWARDS ...

IT'S FINE.

WELL, I HAVE MORE PEOPLE TO THANK. SEE YA!

A COIN ...?

HUH?

THE LORD WAS YOUR WORK.

MY ...?

UM... WHY...?

UM!

...YOU PROMISED TO PAY THE REWARD YOURSELF. YOU ASKED FOR HELP.

WHY?

YOU COULD HAVE POSTED A QUEST.

BUT INSTEAD ...

I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE THE SAME THIS TIME.

I HAD NO GUAR-ANTEES.

I TRUSTED TO LUCK.

NO ONE CAME FOR MY VILLAGE.

SIMPLE.

I'M A "WEIRDO," YOU SEE.

THAT'S —

—NOT TRUE!

IF YOU ASK ME TO HELP YOU, I'LL ALWAYS SAY YES.

SO...!

... WE'LL BE THERE.

IF YOU ASK US FOR HELP...

...AND THE TIME AFTER THAT...

NEXT TIME ...

I THINK ALL THE ADVENTURERS IN THIS TOWN WOULD SAY THE SAME.

AND I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE.

NOT ONE BIT.

IT ISN'T A MATTER OF LUCK.

YES!

IS THAT SO?

...!

CAN I...ASK FOR A REWARD TOO?

PLEASE... TAKE OFF YOUR HELMET.

WHAT?

KACHA (CLICK)

IS THAT SO?

I THINK YOU LOOK A LOT COOLER THIS WAY!

WHOA!!

HUH!?

HE DID WHAT!?

ORCBOLG TOOK OFF HIS HELMET!!

HUH? OH... I GUESS...

UL (GFWIP)

WH-WHA—?! THIS IS HUGE! ISN'T IT SWEET?

HUH? HE'S HUMAN?

WOW!

AH... THE COUNTE-NANCE OF A WARRIOR.

HEY! IT'S GOBLIN SLAYER'S FACE!

MM! FINE FEATURES YOU HAVE!

HE LOOKS KINDA FAMILIAR, THOUGH...

I DON'T LIKE HIS LOOKS!

NO?

THOUGHT.

HANDSOME, AS I...

HEH HEH.

RATHER ...

HEY! BRING OUT THAT BETTING POOL!

LEMME SEE!

AWWW... I BET BIG HE WAS A WOMAN...

...I SEE.

NOT ONE BIT.

IT'S NOT A MATTER OF LUCK.

I HOPE THAT IS TRUE.

ONCE UPON A TIME, IN THE DAYS WHEN THE STARS SHONE FAR FEWER IN THE SKY THAN THEY DO NOW...

THE GODS OF LIGHT AND ORDER AND DESTINY ...

...VIED WITH THE GODS OF DARKNESS AND CHAOS AND CHANCE...

...TO SEE WHO WOULD CONTROL THE WORLD. THEY WAGED THIS STRUGGLE WITH DICE.

THERE WERE VICTORIES AND DEFEATS, BUT THERE WAS NO RESOLUTION.

THE GODS TIRED OF DICE, SO THEY CREATED PAWNS AND A BOARD TO PLACE THEM ON.

THEY CREATED A WORLD, AND THE MANY TRIBES THEREIN.

IN TIME, THE GODS CAME TO LOVE THESE CHARACTERS AND THEIR DOINGS.

THE DICE FALL AGAINST THEM SOMETIMES, BUT SO IT GOES.

THESE PAWNS ADVENTURE. THEY ACHIEVE VICTORY, SUFFER DEFEAT...

...FIND TREASURE OR HAPPINESS, AND ULTIMATELY, THEY DIE.

ALL OF THE GODS LIKED HIM ...

...BUT GREAT THINGS WERE NOT EXPECTED OF HIM.

HE WAS AN UNEX-CEPTIONAL YOUNG MAN.

A MALE HUMAN WARRIOR WITH NO DISTIN-GUISHING TRAITS AT ALL.

INTO THIS WORLD THERE APPEARED ONE PARTICULAR ADVENTURER.

BUT THIS ADVENTURER WAS A LITTLE DIFFERENT FROM OTHERS.

BUT...

...EVEN SO, HE DID NOT LET THE GODS ROLL THE DICE. HENCE, EVEN THE GODS DID NOT KNOW HOW HIS ADVENTURES WOULD END.

KON (TONK)

HE DID NOT LET THE GODS ROLL THE DICE.

HE WAS ALWAYS THINKING, STRATEGIZ-ING, AND ACTING.

HE WAS NOT HIGHBORN, NOT ESPECIALLY CAPABLE. NEITHER DID HE HAVE ANY "CHEATING" POWERS.

THIS RATHER SURPRISED THE GODS.

HE WAS JUST ANOTHER PAWN.

HE WOULD NOT SAVE THE WORLD. HE MIGHT NOT EVEN CHANGE ANYTHING.

...EVEN NOW.

TO BE CONTINUED!

HIS FIGHT GOES ON, SOMEWHERE ...

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